

The Briarwood Vine

Providing a Natural Setting Where People Experience God's Love
December 2009



SPECIAL RATES ON OUR CABINS FOR ONE YEAR!!

At Briarwood, we want to say **THANK YOU** to all the Lutheran congregations and individuals in our



Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod. The support for Briarwood has been steadily growing during the past year. More congregations are using our synod camp (and that means YOUR camp) and more individuals from Lutheran congregations are supporting us. We still have a long way to go in building relationships (have **YOU** supported Briarwood by your prayers, presence, and financial partnership this year??) but we want to celebrate how far we have come.

And to do that, we are offering a special rate to all our Lutheran congregations. **For the next year, all ELCA congregations and groups can book our cabins at HALF PRICE!!** That includes our brand new cabins (in Oak



Grove) as well as our older (and less expensive cabins) in Trail's End. For the next year, any ELCA congregation, youth group, Women of the ELCA group, Men in Mission group - ANY ELCA

group can reserve our cabins FOR HALF PRICE. This special **THANK YOU starts right now**. So call us up at 940-241-2099 to make your reservation now!

AND

Mark your calendar now for these upcoming retreats in 2010:

- Senior Citizens Retreat - March 12-14
- Lenten Retreat - March 13-14
- Summer Camp - June 13 to July 30
- Confirmation Retreat - September 10-11

Because of your partnership, we've had a great 2009. Now we are looking forward to even more amazing things in 2010. We have an AMAZING God - EXPECT amazing things to happen!!

+ Peace +

Pastor Rob Moore

Executive Director, Briarwood Lutheran Ministries

P.S. To see pictures of the dedication of our new Oak Grove Cabins (as well as the fun we had at our Oktoberfest) go to www.briarwoodretreat.org.

ADVENT RETREAT DECEMBER 5TH TO 6TH

You are invited to bring your 4th through 6th graders to Briarwood on

December 5th and 6th for the "'Tis the Season"

Advent Retreat. This year we will explore Advent by exploring the "seasons" - the Season of Lights, the Season of



Gifts, the Season of Songs, and the Season of Feasting. The cost is \$60 per youth participant (\$30 for additional children from the same family). Adult chaperons are free. Cost includes four meals, snacks, overnight accommodations, a take home craft project, and lots of fun. Advent Activities will include songs, games, campfire, arts & crafts, and Bible study.

For more information - including a brochure and registration form - go to our Retreats page of our web site (www.briarwoodretreat.org). Registration deadline is November 25th.

We believe that God's purpose for Briarwood is to provide a natural setting where people experience God's love.
Thank you for your partnership in the camping and retreat ministry of the synod.